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Military Thrift Store Tax Exemption Extended Through 2023

Sacramento – Purchases of used items from thrift stores located on California military bases will continue to be exempt from sales and use tax until January 1, 2024, announced Jerome E. Horton, Chairman of the California State Board of Equalization (BOE). [Legislation](#) supported by the Board extended this exemption that was set to expire on January 1, 2014.

“It’s impossible to measure the immense gratitude we owe our men and women in uniform. But this is one of many ways our state government can say thank you,” said Chairman Horton.

This sales and use tax exemption will apply to thrift stores operated by the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society on bases in San Diego, Twentynine Palms, Miramar, Camp Pendleton, Port Imperial Beach, Port Hueneme, and Lemoore. These thrift stores sell nominally-priced used clothing, uniforms, and household goods to military families and Department of Defense employees, including retirees and civilian contractors. The stores are closed to the general public.

The income from sales at these stores supports relief services to Navy and Marine Corps communities on and near their respective bases. Board Members [unanimously supported](#) the legislation extending the sales and use tax exemption to provide tax relief for military customers at these stores.

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Elected in 2010, Chairman Jerome E. Horton is the Fourth District Member of the California State Board of Equalization, representing more than 8.5 million residents in Los Angeles County. He is also the Board of Equalization’s Legislative Committee Chairman. He is the first to serve on the Board of Equalization with over 21 years of experience at the BOE. Horton previously served as an Assembly Member of the California State Assembly from 2000-2006.

The five-member California State Board of Equalization is a publicly elected tax board. The Board of Equalization collects more than \$53.7 billion annually in taxes and fees supporting state and local government services. It hears business tax appeals, acts as the appellate body for franchise and personal income tax appeals, and serves a significant role in the assessment and administration of property taxes. For more information on other taxes and fees in California, visit www.taxes.ca.gov.

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